

Docket No. 40460/DBP/M521

Claim 22, line 1, delete "one of the preceding claims", and insert --claim 1--.

Claim 23, line 1, delete "one of the preceding claims", and insert --claim 1--.

Claim 24, line 1, delete "one of the preceding claims", and insert --claim 1--.

Claim 25, line 1, delete "one of the preceding claims", and insert --claim 1--.

Claim 26, line 1, delete "one of the preceding claims", and insert --claim 1--.

Claim 27, line 2, delete "the preceding claims", and insert --claim 1--.

#### REMARKS

In view of the foregoing amendments, consideration and allowance of this application is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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